

## SKULL MANGLED.

### Horrible Death of Mine Engineer W. L. Keys.

William Luther Keys, evidently a mine engineer, lies dead at Strong's undertaking rooms, with the left side of his head crushed in and the skull partially laid open, and his left leg broken and bruised in several places between the knee and foot.

Wednesday night, as the west-bound passenger, No. 1, under Conductor Heady, with Engineer A. H. Dixon at the throttle, struck the top of Barr's hill, a few miles south of the city, the quick eye of the engineer perceived a black object partially lying alongside the track. As the train, going down grade at a rapid speed, neared the object the engineer promptly saw that it was a man. The air brakes were applied, but too late—the speed of the train was checked but not until the cruel wheels had done their work of death.

The body was brought to this city on freight train No. 34 early Thursday morning, and turned over to Undertaker Strong.

Papers and letters found in the bloodstained clothes worn by the dead man proved that his name is William Luther Keys, and that relatives reside somewhere in Indianapolis, Ind. It is evident that he has been moving to and fro in this territory and in Mexico for several years. In 1897 he located a mine in Taos county with Herman Geck and Silva Garcia and named it the Leadville lode. Letters indicate that he was a mining engineer at Parral, Mexico, and later was in the employ of the Modoc Mining company of the Organ district. Among his papers is a receipted bill, under date of June 1, 1900, from the Mining Supply company of Las Cruces, for \$2.50, which had been loaned to "Keys, Modoc engineer." Quite a number of letters were found from Ethel Radcliffe, of Socorro, and he carried a book entitled "The Engineer's Manual," presented to him by E. M. Kealer, also of Socorro. Besides the letters, bills and mining papers, his other effects consists of five cents, a plug of tobacco, two lead pencils, a small pocket plane and a pocket knife.—Albuquerque Citizen.

The dead man was well known in this city and vicinity, having been in the employ of the Timber Peak mining company at Water Cañon from November, 1898, until the mill closed down last August. Mr. Keys was a caller at this office in company with C. T. Brown on Monday morning, and was in company with E. M. Kealer up until a few hours before train time Tuesday night.

The deceased was never known to drink beyond a social glass of beer, and was of an extremely quiet and unassuming disposition. Since leaving Socorro last August, he has been in Mexico; for the past three months he had been employed at the Modoc mine in the Organ mountains, and at the time of his death was on his way to Prescott, Arizona, where he intended to invest in ranch property with a friend, for whom he was waiting in this city Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Keys was known to have plenty of money when in Socorro the first of the week.

### THE KEYS INQUEST HELD FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Friday afternoon the coroner's jury to inquire into the death of William Luther Keys, an account of which was published in The Citizen Thursday afternoon met at 2 o'clock p. m. at the office of Justice Ribble on south Second street.

The first witness was Engineer Dixon, who stated that the train, as it reached Barr's hill, was going at a speed of about forty-

five miles an hour; that he saw some black object on the track and as he whistled for the crossing the object raised up as if in a stupor, and moved from the center of the track to the left side. He then saw it was a man and promptly applied the emergency air and the train was stopped, but not until the pilot struck the man and knocked him off the track, down the ditch. He then described how the man's valise and clothing were found scattered and torn into pieces, along the track, and how the body was found by the conductor and porter later.

Conductor Heady and the porter, Henry Harrison, gave their testimony as to finding the body, after it was struck by the train, and on turning it over found it dead.

Fireman Winchell's testimony was corroborative of what was told by Engineer Dixon.

### Closing Exercises at Mt. Carmel School.

The morning of the fifteenth dawned bright and beautiful, and at an early hour all the pupils of the school assembled in their large study-room to receive a last kind advice from their much loved teachers before bidding adieu to books, and entering the social circle to revel in "sweet vacation."

It was at this reunion of teachers and pupils that the hard earned prize, (a handsome gold medal for highest average in arithmetic,) was conferred upon Miss Estelle Greenwald by the Sister Superior, and a second prize for the same study in lower grade fell to the lot of Miss Maria Alderete.

After the two fortunate young Misses had received the usual congratulations, the Sister Superior promised another gold medal, at the close of the coming year, for good conduct and application, remarking, at the same time, that this would not be the only medal bestowed, as she expected some of the friends of the institution to offer others, for different branches of study, as was formerly customary.

Many were the smiling remarks, as well as good resolutions taken on this occasion by the young assembly, and another June will reveal the noble victories gained in this garden of study—Mt. Carmel School.

The Entertainment and Lawn Social were a brilliant success. Everyone seemed pleased, and the Sisters realized a sum of one hundred and fifteen dollars and forty cents (\$115.40) including expenses which were greatly lightened by their many generous friends.

May Mt. Carmel School live long and prosper is the wish of the writer.

### Santa Fe Excursion Rates.

National Holiday, July 4. One fare for round trip. Tickets on sale July 3 to 4.

Roosevelt's Rough Riders; Oklahoma City, July 1 to 4. One fare for round trip. Tickets on sale June 29 to 30.

Texas State Teachers Association, El Paso, Texas, June 26 to 29. Tickets on sale June 24 to 28. One fare for round trip.

National Democratic Convention; Kansas City, Mo., July 4. One first-class fare for round trip, plus \$2.00. Return limit can be extended in Kansas City. On sale July 1 to 2.

Louis Bertrand and wife, nee Watelet, returned Sunday from Mexico where they have spent the last sixteen months. After a few days' visit with relatives here they will continue on to the states, where Mr. Bertrand goes to look after his property and enjoy his two months vacation.

## OF HOME INTEREST.

The city was full of visitors this week.

C. T. Brown went up to Santa Fe Tuesday.

Yesterday was the hottest day of the season.

Benj. Sanches of Polvadera came down Wednesday.

Ramon Montoya of San Antonio was in the City yesterday.

Miss Flora Sperling is out again after her late illness.

Read the Fourth of July program on the fourth page.

Rev. J. P. Moog of La Joya, came down this week on business.

Lorenzo P. Garcia and bride returned from Mexico Wednesday.

A. D. Coon went down to San Marcial Wednesday on business.

Several pieces of real estate have changed hands this week.

Mrs. Dixie Quinlan visited in Magdalena the first of the week.

Hon. Luciano Chavez came down Wednesday to lay in supplies.

W. W. Jones of San Marcial, was in the city Tuesday on business.

Several carloads of horses were shipped from Magdalena this week.

Adolfo Torres of Kelly was in the city this week purchasing goods.

A fine grand square piano can be bought cheap. Apply to J. J. Leeson.

S. M. Ashenfelter of Silver City was here, yesterday on legal business.

Mrs. W. H. Sanders returned to her Magdalena home this morning.

Jose Arragon from Mangus was in the city several days the past week.

Ed Sims has sold his cattle and ranch on the Rio Alamosa, Sierra county.

The world renowned McCormick mowers, binders and rakes at C. T. Brown's.

Mrs. A. Kiehne and family left Wednesday morning for San Antonio, Texas.

Mrs. M. Mathieson went up to Magdalena to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. A. Smiley.

Butch and Homer Hill are in the Lemitar mountains doing assessment work.

W. H. Sanders returned from the Gila Hot Springs very much improved in health.

On every one of these hot days remember that iced soda can be had at Katzenstein's.

Miss Agnes Jaques went out to Water Cañon Wednesday where she will spend a few weeks.

Manuel Pino of Mangus came in from the west Wednesday. He reports stock doing fine.

Ollin Mathews of Albuquerque came down Monday and continued on to Magdalena on business.

W. H. Russell of Magdalena spent Saturday and Sunday in the city transacting business.

Juan Garcia and wife came down from Magdalena Wednesday. They will remain several days.

Mrs. J. H. McCutchen and children of Albuquerque, are here visiting her mother, Mrs. J. M. Martin.

J. E. Smith is doing some repairing on the buildings occupied by E. Gillett and Aug. Winkler.

All the Spanish sisters of Mt. Carmel college left this morning for Santa Fe to spend the summer vacation.

Boom! boom!! 'rah! 'rah!! Fourth of July! Fire crackers, cannon, rockets, etc., at Katzenstein's.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. S. Bahney, of Ankona, Fla., on June 4, a baby girl. All well and happy.

The reports from the Kelly district indicate great activity in the camp. Queen Group is improving daily under the systematic development of the present owners.

# Be Sure About The Food

Was there ever so high and decisive a test of the baking powders as that by the Government Chemists at the World's Columbian Fair?

The tests then made by the official experts showed that Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder was the purest, strongest, most healthful of all the baking powders exhibited, and a diploma and medal were awarded accordingly.

It is such testimony as this which has established the use of Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder in homes where pure food and economy are appreciated.

PRICE BAKING POWDER CO.,  
CHICAGO.

NOTE.—The alum baking powders, which are those sold at lower prices, were excluded from consideration at this great competitive test because they are deemed unreliable and unwholesome.

This hot weather causes the ice factory to work day and night so as to be able to fill their immense orders.

On sale every Thursday to San Francisco and return, \$55.00. On same conditions as southern California tickets.

The Crown flour mill has added more machinery to their plant such as elevators, cleaning and drying machines.

Captain French shipped some two hundred head of cattle from Magdalena to his northern ranches this week.

A snap. A 7 room house and 3 acres of land two blocks from the court house all set in fruit trees. Apply to J. J. Leeson.

A great many of our citizens have been busy all week designing and planing handsome booths for the Fourth of July.

Olguin and Flores, with the aid of John Greenwald, have been repairing a threshing machine bought by the boys.

The Gypsy band that was camped south of town have departed, and all are glad of it for they were an unsavory set.

J. D. Herbert accompanied by Mrs. Herbert are down from Magdalena. Mrs. Herbert is here for medical treatment.

F. A. Jones and Orrin Rice went out to the Lemitar mountains on a prospecting trip Thursday returning the same day.

Miss Potts returned the first of the week from Mrs. Bruton's ranch, where she has just finished teaching a term of school.

Dr. Elmer Blinn and family left Monday for Kelly. They will go to the Black Range later to spend a month or six weeks.

Mrs. Jos. Wickham left Sunday morning for Craig, Arizona, where she goes to visit her daughter, Mrs. Sam Tinguely.

Mrs. C. T. Brown and Elsie and Nellie Zimmer left Monday for Water Cañon where they will rusticate during the heated term.

Ed. M. Kealer, Socorro's efficient machinist, has been busy all week repairing and remodeling several harvesting machines.

The happiest man in town is Marcus. Wonder what causes it? candy, ice cream and fruit stands will do a rushing business now.

The farmers of this section are making preparations for harvesting their wheat, the yield of which will be both fine and great.

Several loads of salt were brought in this week from the Manzana salt mines which are situated 65 miles northeast of the city.

Mr. Crone and family who have been in Socorro for several months returned home to Wisconsin on Tuesday last entirely cured.

Why should you send out of town for your whiskies, wines, or liquors when Biavaschi is selling the finest of guaranteed goods at living prices.

A. F. Katzenstein is making valuable additions to his ice cream parlors. When completed he will have one of the cosiest resorts in the city.

Misses Lottie Jones and Lullie Howell returned yesterday from the Jarrett ranch, where they have been visiting Mrs. Jarrett and daughter.

Hugh Freeman has returned home to Carlsbad from the Lebanon, Tennessee, law school, a full-fledged attorney-at-law, graduating with honor.

A. F. Katzenstein, our popular soda man, has ordered a large supply of bottles and boxes and contemplates putting in a new machine in the near future.

Our county clerk reports an increase of filings and records in his office, and mining locations are coming in fast. This is an index of better times ahead.

Water Cañon, the popular summer resort, which for coolness and pure cold water has no superior in the west, is fast filling up with people from the valley.

Col. Marion Balue, Robt. Douglass, and H. M. Gilchrist of Indianapolis, Ind., came in this morning on train 21 and went to Water Cañon on mining business.

Leo Schey, well known in this city, spent Wednesday in Socorro shaking hands with old friends. He was on his way from California to Mexico, where he expects to locate.

Miss Lena and Essie Price returned Sunday morning from New York where they have been attending a young ladies college for the past three years. They graduated on June 6.

The Ananias club will circulate a subscription list next week for the purpose of raising funds to procure uniforms. It is hoped that everyone will contribute freely and cheerfully.

The Philipino and South African wars are now in a total eclipse caused by the Chinese muddle. Oh! we Americans, how we do expand, a 10,000 mile expansion is nothing in these days.

W. H. Patterson of Piketon, Ohio, formerly one of Socorro county's leading business men arrived here last week and went out to examine some mining property for eastern parties. He returned Monday well satisfied with the examination he made, and left Tuesday for the east. Pat says he is coming back to Socorro soon and will do some good for our county while here.

Eusibio Garcia, age 35, died Sunday at his residence. He had been a constant sufferer for five years. Death was a blessing to him and his faithful family, who remained by his bedside all these years.

Abram Abeyta had the pleasure of calling on, and shaking hands with President McKinley last week. Mr. Abeyta will visit Chicago, Washington, Philadelphia and New York before he returns.

Mrs. Isabel Gonzales returned to her home in Albuquerque last Sunday after a pleasant visit of some weeks with her aunt, Mrs. S. Alexander. She was accompanied home by little Miss Lolita Alexander.

The humidity of the Rocky mountain range has been concentrating rapidly for several days, and from official reports, July and August will experience some of the heaviest rain falls known for many years.

The hail storm at Roswell on last Sunday did great damage. The hail stones were the largest ever seen. Hundreds of head of stock were killed; also fowls of all kinds. Trees and vegetables suffered great damage.

On Monday evening the Knights of Pythias tendered Grand Chancellor C. C. Clark, of Kelly, N. M., a reception and banquet at the castle hall of El Dorado Lodge, No. 1. It was a most joyous occasion.—Optic.

There are large numbers of men engaged for the next week's harvesting. The wheat was never better or the yield more heavy, and the acreage is fully 30 per cent greater than any other season in the history of New Mexico.

Mrs. L. M. Mead, who has conducted a private boarding house in this city for the past year, leaves for Kansas City tonight, where she will spend the summer in an endeavor to recuperate her health. She will probably return in the fall.

Emil Katzenstein met with a painful accident Thursday. He with several other boys were on top of a barn trying to get some young pigeons, the board on which he stepped gave way and he fell some twenty feet, dislocating his shoulder.

Professor M. E. Hickey, of Albuquerque public schools arrived in the city on yesterday morning's passenger. He comes to conduct the Normal Institute for the counties of Socorro and Sierra, which begins its sessions at the high school here on next Monday and will last two weeks. Mr. Hickey is an advanced educator, and those of our teachers attending the Institute will surely profit by his instructions.